



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher and the United States Marshals Service announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

Jerry Lynn Simons, 32, was sentenced for failing to register as a sex offender. The Honorable Lyle E. Strom sentenced Simons to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons for a term of 24 months. After Simons' release from prison, he will begin a 20-year-term of supervised release.

Simons was previously convicted in Kansas of Attempted Liberties with a Child in 2003. The conviction requires him to register as a sex offender. Simons was arrested by the United States Marshals Office on December 5, 2008. He was living in a hotel in west Omaha. He admitted that he was aware of his obligation to register as a sex offender. He further admitted that he had moved to Missouri, Iowa, and finally Nebraska without registering in any of those states as a sex offender.

Name of Defendant: Jerry Lynn Simons

AKA:

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Failure to Register as a Sex Offender; Maximum penalty: up to ten years imprisonment, a \$250,000.00 fine, both such imprisonment and fine, not less than five years up to life supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Omaha, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: From on and before October 2008, and continuing until December 2008

Federal Arrest Date: December 5, 2008

Date Complaint Issued: December 4, 2008

Indictment Returned Date: December 17, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: December 8, 2008 on the complaint; December 22, 2008 on the indictment

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Pled guilty to the Indictment on January 29, 2009

Sentencing Date: April 27, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable F.A. Gossett

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Held

In Continuous Custody Since: December 5, 2008

Assigned District Court Judge: The Honorable Lyle E. Strom

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